

SHREVEPORT REGIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITY**SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA****DECEMBER 31, 2007**

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SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

DECEMBER 31, 2007

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June 25, 2008

Board of Directors
Shreveport Regional Sports Authority
Shreveport, Louisiana

We have reviewed the accompanying component unit financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Shreveport Regional Sports Authority (the "Authority"), a component unit of the City of Shreveport, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007, which collectively comprise the Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these component unit financial statements are the responsibility of the Authority's management.

A review consists primarily of inquiries of Authority personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

The management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have compiled the supplementary information from information that is the representation of management, without audit or review. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on the supplementary information.


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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

This section presents readers of the financial statements of the Shreveport Regional Sports Authority (Authority) with a narrative overview and analysis of its financial activities for the fiscal years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006. It is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements of the Authority, which consists of fund financial statements and notes thereto.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The Authority's net assets increased by \$201,699 or 104%.

The Authority's total revenues were \$427,364 in 2007 compared to \$301,908 in 2006.

During the year ended December 31, 2007, the Authority had total capital expenditures, excluding depreciation, of \$11,045.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Assets on Page 7 and the Statement of Activities on Page 8 provide information about the Authority as a whole. Fund financial statements start on Page 9. For governmental activities, these statements tell how these services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the Authority's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the Authority's more significant funds. The Authority is a component unit of the City of Shreveport because the City appoints all members of the governing board and has the ability to impose its will on them. The accompanying financial statements present information only on funds maintained by the Authority.

Reporting the Funds Maintained by the Authority as a Whole

Government-Wide Financial Statements

Our analysis of the funds maintained by the Authority as a whole begins on Page 7. The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information about funds and activities maintained by the Authority. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting method used by most private-sector companies. Accrual of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Authority's net assets and changes in them. The Authority's net assets – which are the difference between assets and liabilities – are one way to measure the Authority's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the Authority's net assets are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating.

In both the Statement of Net Assets and Statement of Activities, the funds maintained by the Authority are recorded as governmental activities and business-type activities.

Governmental activities – expenses related to, and resources provided from the repayment of the Authority's general obligation bonds.

Business-type activities – revenues earned, resources provided for, and expenses incurred attracting and underwriting professional and amateur sporting events.

Reporting the Most Significant Funds Maintained by the Authority

Our analysis of the major funds maintained by the Authority begins on Page 9. The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds maintained by the Authority – not the Authority as a whole. The Authority's funds use the following accounting approaches.

Governmental fund – All of the Authority's general activities are reported in a governmental fund, which focuses on how money flows into and out of this fund and the balances at year-end that are available for spending. This fund is reported using the accounting method called modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash.

Proprietary fund – All of the Authority's operations whose costs are expected to be recovered through user fees, or whereas the periodic determination of revenues earned and expenses incurred is appropriate for public policy, management control, and accountability. Such operations typically encompass various sporting events sponsored, managed, produced, or otherwise promoted by the Authority.

THE FUNDS MAINTAINED BY THE AUTHORITY AS A WHOLE

The Authority's total net assets changed from a year ago, increasing from \$(194,315) to \$7,384. Our analysis below will focus on key elements of the total funds for the 2007 and 2006 years.

**Table I
Net Assets**

	<u>Government-Wide Activities</u>	
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Current assets	790,539	650,071
Capital assets	13,176	3,517
Total assets	<u>803,715</u>	<u>653,588</u>
Current liabilities	796,331	847,903
Total liabilities	<u>796,331</u>	<u>847,903</u>
Net assets		
Investments in capital assets	13,176	3,517
Unrestricted	(5,792)	(197,832)
Total net assets	<u>7,384</u>	<u>(194,315)</u>

Net assets of the funds maintained by the Authority increased by \$201,699 or 104%

Table 2
Change in Net Assets

	<u>Government-Wide Activities</u>	
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Revenues		
Grants	225,000	225,000
Event ticket sales	10,675	2,332
Other event revenues	86,033	47,836
Miscellaneous	105,656	26,740
Total revenues	<u>427,364</u>	<u>301,908</u>
Expenses		
General governmental	173,190	165,786
Event	52,475	25,654
Total Expenses	<u>225,665</u>	<u>191,440</u>
Increase/(Decrease) in fund balance	<u>201,699</u>	<u>110,468</u>

CAPITAL ASSETS

At the end of 2007 and 2006, the Authority had invested \$13,176 and \$3,517 (net of accumulated depreciation) in capital assets from those funds maintained by the Authority.

Table 3
Capital Assets At Year End

	<u>Government-Wide Activities</u>	
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Office furniture and fixtures	12,677	12,677
Office equipment	30,287	19,241
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(29,788)</u>	<u>(28,401)</u>
	<u>13,176</u>	<u>3,517</u>
This year's major additions included:		
Furniture and fixtures	-	-
Computer equipment	-	2,917
Office cabinets	-	-
Office Equipment	11,045	-
Total	<u>11,045</u>	<u>2,917</u>

The Authority's net assets increased in 2007. Increases in net assets are due to additional revenues recognized through cooperative endeavor agreements in place and through aggressively managing the Authority's expenses.

CONTACTING THE AUTHORITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens and taxpayers with a general overview of the finances for those funds maintained by the Authority and to show the Authority's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, contact the Shreveport Regional Sports Authority at 839 Kings Highway, Suite 200, Shreveport, Louisiana 71104.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

SHREVEPORT REGIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

DECEMBER 31, 2007

	2007		
	Primary Government		
	Governmental	Business-Type	
	Activities	Activities	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash-Note 2	14,328	\$ -	14,328
Investments	126,187	-	126,187
Prepaid expenses	2,580	-	2,580
Due from other fund	647,444	-	647,444
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)-Note 3	13,176	-	13,176
Total assets	803,715	-	803,715
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Accounts payable	1,837	30,000	31,837
Payroll liabilities	2,652	-	2,652
Notes payable	-	114,398	114,398
Due to other fund	-	647,444	647,444
Total liabilities	4,489	791,842	796,331
<u>NET ASSETS</u>			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	13,176	-	13,176
Unrestricted	786,050	(791,842)	(5,792)
Total net assets	799,226	(791,842)	7,384

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SHREVEPORT REGIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>	
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>
Primary government			
Governmental activities:			
General Government	\$ 173,190	\$ -	\$ 329,943
Total governmental activities	173,190	-	329,943
Business-type activities:			
Sport Events	52,475	97,421	-
	52,475	97,421	-
Total primary government	\$ 225,665	\$ 97,421	\$ 329,943

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets		
Primary Government		
Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
\$ 156,753	\$ -	\$ 156,753
156,753	-	156,753
-	44,946	44,946
-	44,946	44,946
156,753	44,946	201,699

General Revenues
Unrestricted investment earnings

Total general revenues	-	-	-
Change in net assets	156,753	44,946	201,699
Net assets - beginning	642,473	(836,788)	(194,315)
Net assets - ending	\$ 799,226	\$ (791,842)	\$ 7,384

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

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BALANCE SHEET-GOVERNMENTAL FUND

DECEMBER 31, 2007

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>Governmental Funds</u>
Cash	\$ 14,328
Investments	126,187
Prepaid expenses	2,580
Due from other fund	<u>647,444</u>
Total assets	\$ <u>790,539</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</u>	
Liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 1,837
Payroll liabilities	2,652
Deferred revenue	-
Total liabilities	<u>4,489</u>
Fund balances	
Fund balance unreserved and undesignated	<u>786,050</u>
Total fund equity	<u>786,050</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ <u>790,539</u>
Fund balance	\$ 786,050
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds	<u>13,176</u>
Net assets of governmental activities	\$ <u>799,226</u>

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GOVERNMENTAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	<u>General Fund</u>
<u>Revenues</u>	
Grants-City of Shreveport	\$ 225,000
Hedges Stadium renovation	100,000
Rent income	290
Interest	4,653
Total revenues	<u>329,943</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>	
Promotion of sports events:	
Dues	1,261
Insurance	15,785
Rent	18,720
Office supplies and postage	6,371
Telephone	6,465
Salaries and wages	101,532
Payroll taxes and benefits	7,946
Travel and promotion	2,777
Miscellaneous	5,823
Professional services	5,118
Capital assets	11,046
Licenses	5
Total expenditures	<u>182,849</u>
<u>Excess of revenues over expenditures</u>	147,094
<u>Fund balance at beginning of period</u>	<u>638,956</u>
<u>Fund balance at end of period</u>	<u>\$ 786,050</u>

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statements of activities
are different because:

Excess of revenues over expenditures	\$ 147,094
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Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However in the statements of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation expense exceeds capital outlays in the current period.

9,659

Change in net assets of governmental activities	\$ <u>156,753</u>
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SHREVEPORT REGIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITY

GOVERNMENTAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE

BUDGET AND ACTUAL-GOVERNMENTAL FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

	General Fund		
	Budget (Unaudited)	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
<u>Revenues</u>			
Grants-City of Shreveport	\$ 225,000	\$ 225,000	\$ -
Hedges Stadium renovation	-	100,000	100,000
Rent income	-	290	290
Interest	-	4,653	4,653
Total revenues	225,000	329,943	104,943
<u>Expenditures</u>			
Promotion of sports events:			
Dues	1,500	1,261	239
Insurance	19,800	15,785	4,015
Rent and utilities	18,720	18,720	-
Office supplies and postage	8,600	6,371	2,229
Telephone	7,000	6,465	535
Salaries and wages	101,000	101,532	(532)
Payroll taxes and benefits	11,721	7,946	3,775
Travel and promotion	3,000	2,777	223
Miscellaneous	9,465	5,823	3,642
Professional services	4,000	5,118	(1,118)
Capital expenditures	3,000	11,046	(8,046)
Licenses	5	5	-
Total expenditures	187,811	182,849	4,962
<u>Excess of revenues over expenditures</u>	37,189	147,094	109,905
<u>Fund balance at beginning</u>	638,956	638,956	-
<u>Fund balance at end</u>	\$ 676,145	\$ 786,050	\$ 109,905

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

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STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS

PROPRIETARY FUND

DECEMBER 31, 2007

ASSETS

Cash	\$	-
Accounts receivable		-
Prepaid expenses		-
Total assets		-

LIABILITIES

Accounts payable	30,000
Notes payable	114,398
Due to other fund	647,444
Total liabilities	791,842

NET ASSETS

Unrestricted	(791,842)
Total net assets	(791,842)

Net assets of business-type activities \$ (791,842)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SHREVEPORT REGIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITY
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND NET ASSETS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

Revenues

Sponsorships	\$	86,033
Ticket sales and event income		10,675
Other income		713
Total Revenues		<u>97,421</u>

Expenses

Travel and lodging		2,003
Event services and supplies		16,641
Bid fees		26,650
Marketing and promotional		180
Postage and printing		2,844
Security		2,150
Meals and catering		2,007
Total expenses		<u>52,475</u>

Change in net assets 44,946

Total net assets-beginning (836,788)

Total net assets-ending \$ (791,842)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

PROPRIETARY FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

Cash flows from operating activities:

Change in net assets	\$ 44,946
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash (used) by operating activities:	
Decrease in accounts payable	(10,000)
Increase in due to other fund	10,054
Cash used in operating activities	<u>45,000</u>

Cash flows from financing activities:

Payments on long-term debt	<u>(45,000)</u>
Cash used by financing activities	<u>(45,000)</u>

Net increase (decrease) in cash -

Cash at beginning of year -

Cash at end of year \$ -

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SHREVEPORT REGIONAL SPORTS AUTHORITY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2007

INTRODUCTION

The Shreveport Regional Sports Authority was incorporated on June 17, 1996 as a nonprofit economic development corporation under La. R.S. 33:9020 to promote the City of Shreveport and Northwest Louisiana as a tourist destination by attracting and underwriting professional and amateur sporting events. Operations began in October 1996. The Authority is governed by a board of directors consisting of 9 members, all of whom are appointed by the Mayor of Shreveport and confirmed by a majority of the Shreveport City Council. Members serve six-year terms and receive no compensation for their services.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying financial statements of the Shreveport Regional Sports Authority have been prepared in conformity with the U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant accounting policies established in GAAP and used by the Authority are discussed below.

In January 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) unanimously approved Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management’s Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments. Certain significant changes in the Statement include the following:

For the first time the financial statement include:

- A Management’s Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the Authority’s overall financial position and results of operations.
- Financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all the Authority’s activities.

These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements (including notes to the financial statements). The Authority was required to implement the general provisions of the Statement in the year ended December 31, 2003.

B. REPORTING ENTITY

GASB Statement No. 14 establishes criteria for determining which component units should be considered part of the City of Shreveport for financial reporting purposes. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. The GASB has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes:

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

1. Appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and
 - a. The ability of the City to impose its will on that organization and/or
 - b. The potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the City.
2. Organizations for which the City does not appoint a voting majority but are fiscally dependent on the City.
3. Organizations for which the reporting entity financial statements would be misleading if data of the organization is not included because of the nature or significance of the relationship.

Because the City of Shreveport appoints all members of the governing board and has the ability to impose its will on them, the Authority was determined to be a component unit of the City of Shreveport, and reports its financial information under governmental accounting principles. The accompanying financial statements present information only on the funds maintained by Authority and do not represent information on the City, the general government services provided by that government unit, or the other governmental units that comprise the governmental reporting entity.

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The government-wide financial statements (i.e. the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Investment income and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds. The Authority reports one governmental fund—the general fund—and one proprietary fund.

D. MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current resources measurement focus and the modified basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

The government reports the following major governmental fund:

The general fund is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The government reports the following in its proprietary fund:

The proprietary fund records revenues earned, resources provided for, and expenses incurred attracting and underwriting professional and amateur sporting events.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions.

Revenues

Grants from other governments are recorded as revenues in the general fund as they become measurable and available, as interest income. Revenues are recorded as they are earned in the enterprise fund.

Expenditures

Expenditures in the general fund are generally recognized when the fund liability is incurred, as are those in the enterprise fund.

Other Financing Sources

Transfers between funds are not expected to be repaid and are accounted for as other financing sources. Debt proceeds are accounted for as other financing sources.

E. BUDGETS

The budget for the ensuing year is prepared by Authority personnel prior to December 31 of each year. The budget is then made available for public inspection at least 15 days prior to the budget's adoption during the Authority's regular December meeting. The budget is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting, and is legally adopted and amended, if necessary, by the Board of Directors. Unexpended appropriations are lapsed at year end and must be reappropriated in the following year's budget to be expended. Budget amounts included in the accompanying financial statements include the original adopted budget and any subsequent amendments.

1. **SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

F. CASH, CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT, AND INVESTMENTS

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits and interest-bearing demand deposits. The Authority deposits funds in demand deposit accounts, interest bearing demand deposit accounts, money market accounts, obligations of the United States of America or its agencies, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law and national banks having their principal offices in Louisiana. Investments are carried at fair value.

G. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets which include property, plant and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Such assets are recorded at historical cost. Property, plant and equipment of the primary government are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Computer equipment	7 years
Office Furniture	7 years

H. USE OF ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

I. PREPAID EXPENSES AND INVENTORIES

The Authority has elected to expense current amounts paid in the general fund for future services, such as insurance and office supplies.

2. **CASH**

At December 31, 2007, the Authority has cash (book balances) in demand deposits that total \$14,328. These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market value. All deposits are fully protected by FDIC insurance.

3. **CAPITAL ASSETS**

A summary of changes in capital assets follows:

	Balance January 1, 2007	Additions	Deletions	Balance December 31, 2007
Furniture and equipment	\$ 28,350	\$ 11,045	-	\$ 39,395
Weight lifting equipment	3,568	-	-	3,568
	<u>\$ 31,918</u>	<u>\$ 11,045</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$ 42,963</u>

4. **LITIGATION AND CLAIMS**

At December 31, 2007, the Authority was not involved in any material litigation and was not aware of any material claims.

5. **COMPENSATED ABSENCES**

Employees generally accrue annual leave under the following schedule:

<u>Length of Service</u>	<u>Annual Leave Accrual</u>
Less than one year	.42 days per month
From one to five years	Two weeks per year
From four to five years	Three weeks per year
From six to ten years	Four weeks per year
Eleven years or more	Five weeks per year

Unused annual leave may not be carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year.

6. **RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to limited torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions and natural disasters for which the Authority carries commercial insurance. There have been no significant reductions in coverage from the prior year and settlements have not exceeded coverage in the past two years.

7. **LEASE COMMITMENTS**

The Authority still has only two operating leases; one for office space and one for equipment. Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

2008	\$	21,125
2009		2,405
2010		2,405
2011		0
Total future minimum lease payments	\$	<u>25,935</u>

8. **INVESTMENTS**

The Authority maintains investments in open-end mutual funds. In accordance with GASB 31, these investments are reported at fair value. The underlying fund investments are in short-term, highly liquid money market funds.

9. **COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

In an effort to reduce accounts payable related to prior year events, the Authority has agreed to payment plans with several vendors. As of December 31, 2007, future payments are as follows:

2008	\$	21,265
2009	\$	5,000
2010	\$	10,000
2011 and thereafter	\$	0

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Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

Shreveport Regional Sports Authority
Shreveport, Louisiana

We have performed the procedures included in the *Louisiana Government Audit Guide* and enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of the Shreveport Regional Sports Authority (the "Authority") and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, solely to assist the users in evaluating management's assertions about the Authority's compliance with certain laws and regulations during the year ended December 31, 2007, included in the accompanying *Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire*. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Public Bid Law

1. Select all expenditures made during the year for material and supplies exceeding \$20,000, or public works exceeding \$100,000, and determine whether such purchases were made in accordance with LSA-RS 38:2211-2251 (the public bid law).

No expenditures exceeded the thresholds established for review and compliance with LSA-RS 38:2211-2251.

Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Public Employees

2. Obtain from management a list of the immediate family members of each board member as defined by LSA-RS 42:1101-1124 (the code of ethics), and a list of outside business interests of all board members and employees, as well as their immediate families.

Management provided us with the required list including the noted information.

3. Obtain from management a listing of all employees paid during the period under examination.

Management provided us with the required list.

4. Determine whether any of those employees included in the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (3) were also included on the listing obtained from management in agreed-upon procedure (2) as immediate family members.

None of the employees included on the list of employees provided by management [agreed-upon procedure (3)] appeared on the list provided by management in agreed-upon procedure (2).

Budgeting

5. Obtained a copy of the legally adopted budget and all amendments.

Management provided us with a copy of the original budget. There were no amendments to the budget during the year.

6. Trace the budget adoption and amendments to the minute book.

We traced the adoption of the original budget to the minutes of a meeting held on January 18, 2007 which indicated that the budget had been adopted by the board of the Authority by a unanimous vote. No amendments were made to the budget during the year.

7. Compare the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures to determine if actual revenues failed to meet budgeted revenues by 5 % or more or if actual expenditures exceed budgeted amounts by 5% or more.

We compared the revenues and expenditures of the final budget to actual revenues and expenditures. Actual revenues and expenditures for the year did not exceed budgeted amounts by more than 5%.

Accounting and Reporting

8. Randomly select 6 disbursements made during the period under examination and:

- (a) trace payments to supporting documentation as to proper amount and payee;

We examined supporting documentation for each of the six selected disbursements and found that payment was for the proper amount and made to the correct payee.

- (b) determine if payments were properly coded to the correct fund and general ledger account; and

The six disbursements selected for examination in agreed-upon procedure (8a) were reviewed for proper coding to the correct fund and general ledger account. All six disbursements were found to be properly coded by fund and account.

- (c) determine whether payments received approval from proper authorities.

Inspection of documentation supporting each of the six selected disbursements indicated approvals from the Executive Director and the chairman of the Board.

Meetings

9. Examine evidence indicating that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute book were posted or advertised as required by LSA-RS 42:1 through 42:12 (the open meetings law).

The Authority is only required to post a notice of each meeting and the accompanying agenda on the door of the district's office building. Although management has asserted that such documents were properly posted, we could find no evidence supporting such assertion other than an unmarked copy of the notices and agendas.

Debt

10. Examine bank deposits for the period under examination and determine whether any such deposits appear to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

We inspected copies of all bank deposit slips for the period under examination and noted no deposits which appeared to be proceeds of bank loans, bonds, or like indebtedness.

Advances and Bonuses

11. Examine payroll records and minutes for the year to determine whether any payments have been made to employees which may constitute bonuses, advance, or gifts.

A reading of the minutes of the district for the year indicated no approval for the payments noted. We also inspected payroll records for the year and noted no instances which would indicate payments to employees which would constitute bonuses, advances, or gifts.

Our prior year report, dated June 25, 2007, did not include any comments or unresolved matters.

We were not engaged to, and did not, perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on management's assertions. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the use of management of the Authority and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.


Miller, Carpenter & Earnest, CPA's

October 27, 2008

LOUISIANA ATTESTATION QUESTIONNAIRE
(For Attestation Engagements of Quasi-public Entities)

_____ (Date Transmitted)

Miller, Carpenter & Earnest, CPAs
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Shreveport, LA 71104

(Auditors)

In connection with your review of our financial statements as of December 31, 2007 and for the period then ended, and as required by Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513 and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, we make the following representations to you. We accept full responsibility for our compliance with the following laws and regulation and the internal controls over compliance with such laws and regulations. We have evaluated our compliance with the following laws and regulations prior to making these representations.

These representations are based on the information available to us as of (date of completion/representation).

Federal, State, and Local Awards

We have detailed for you the amount of Federal, state and local award expenditures for the fiscal year, by grant and grant year.

Yes ☒ No ☐

All transactions relating to federal, state, and local grants have been properly recorded within our accounting records and reported to the appropriate state, federal, and grantor officials.

Yes ☒ No ☐

The reports filed with federal, state, and local agencies are properly supported by books of original entry and supporting documentation.

Yes ☒ No ☐

We have complied with all applicable specific requirements of all federal, state, and local programs we administer, to include matters contained in the OMB Compliance Supplement, matters contained in the grant awards, eligibility requirements, activities allowed and unallowed, and reporting and budget requirements.

N/A

Yes ☐ No ☐

Open Meetings

Our meetings, as they relate to public funds, have been posted as an open meeting as required by LSA-RS 42:1 through 42:12 (the open meetings law)

Yes ☒ No ☐**Budget**

For each federal, state, and local grant we have filed with the appropriate grantor agency a comprehensive budget for those grants that included the purpose and duration, and for state grants included specific goals and objectives and measures of performance

Yes ☒ No ☐**Prior Year Comments**



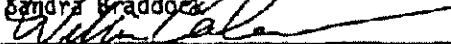
We have resolved all prior-year recommendations and/or comments.

N/A

Yes ☐ No ☐

We have disclosed to you all known noncompliance of the foregoing laws and regulations, as well as any contradictions to the foregoing representations. We have made available to you documentation relating to the federal, state, and local grants, to include the applicable laws and regulations.

We have provided you with any communications from regulatory agencies or other sources concerning any possible noncompliance with the foregoing laws and regulations, including any communications received between the end of the period under examination and the issuance of this report. We will also disclose to you, the Legislative Auditor, and the applicable state grantor agency/agencies any known noncompliance which may occur up to the date of your report.

	Secretary	January 29, 2008	Date
Sandra Braddock			
	Treasurer	January 29, 2008	Date
Sandra Braddock			
	President	January 29, 2008	Date
William Coburn			